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FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR CH XF  
SUBJ: CHINESE VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST

1. BELIEVE SECSTATE WILL BE INTERESTED PRIOR PEKING  
TALKS IN PRIVATE COMMENTS RE MIDDLE EAST MADE TODAY BY HUANG HUA  
DURING LULL IN OUR MARATHON NEGOTIATING SESSION ON  
KOREA.

2. HUANG HUA SAID HE HAD CONGRATULATED EGYPTIAN PERM  
REP HERE ON FACT EGYPT NOW DEALING DIRECTLY WITH THE  
AMERICANS. HUANG HUA, WHO SERVED FOUR YEARS IN CAIRO,  
SAID THAT HE TOLD MEGUID IT WAS HIGH TIME THEY STOPPED  
DEALING THROUGH THEIR "BROKER" AND THAT IF EGYPT CONTINUED  
RELY ON THAT "BROKER," IT COULD LEAD TO THEIR  
RUINATION. HE ADVISED THEM TO FOLLOW A COURSE INDE-  
PEDENT OF USSR. HUANG HUA SAID MEGUID HAD RESPONDED  
SYMPATHETICALLY.

3. HUANG HUA SHOWED STRONG INTEREST IN MIDDLE EAST  
SITUATION AND INQUIRED HOW MANY SOVIET PERSONNEL WERE  
ACTUALLY IN OPERATIONAL POSITIONS IN EGYPTIAN AND  
SECRET

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SYRIAN FORCES -- FIRING MISSILES, GUIDING AIR STRIKES AND  
THE LIKE. HE COMMENTED THAT FROM HIS OWN EXPERIENCE HE KNEW  
SOVIETS PUT THIER PEOPLE THROUGHOUT ARMED FORCES AND DOWN  
TO COMPANY LEVEL. HE CONSIDERED SOVIETS TO BE FOLLOWING

RECKLESS POLICY IN MIDDLE EAST; AT SAME TIME HE ALSO KNEW FROM HIS EXPERIENCE THAT EGYPTIANS WERE BASICALLY INCOMPATIBLE WITH SOVIETS AND IN GENERAL RESENTED THEIR PRESENCE. SCALI EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN AT REPORTS OF NEW SOVIET ARMS SHIPMENTS TO SYRIA, PLUS REPORTED PRESENCE SEVERAL HUNDRED SOVIET MILITARY. HE SAID "SEVERAL HUNDRED" SERIOUS UNDER ESTIMATE OF NUMBER OF SOVIETS IN SYRIA.

4. MEETING WITH HUANG WAS FRIENDLY THROUGHOUT, DESPITE NEGOTIATING DIFFERENCES AND REFLECTED APPARENTLY SINCERE DESIRE FIND COMMON GROUND FOR AGREEMENT.  
SCALI

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